

COMBINED COMMISSION REPORTS

JANUARY 2025

HOSPITALITY - Ruth Bruno

A newcomer's reception hosted by our Vestry was held on January 29th with 100 guests attending. It was a very successful event.

There are no other events for the month of January.

Ruth Bruno

OUTREACH: Christine Pizer and Megarie van Sickel

We continue our focus on supporting existing Good Shepherd efforts while also exploring and establishing new outreach initiatives.

We proposed for the Church to match what Christian Women's Fellowship collected for the Salvation Army during their Christmas Luncheon. This gift was delivered in January.

In December we were honored to learn from Dave Beall that we would receive funds from the interest on the Endowment to use to further our outreach efforts. We plan to present our ideas for this new outreach initiative at the February meeting.

This month, Grace Gagliardi joined the Bread Ministry as scheduler. We are so grateful for her taking this leadership role.

We continue to pursue the Care Portal/Bridge A Life partnership but are challenged by our inability to find point persons to chair this effort.

Megarie van Sickel and Christine Pizer

January 31, 2025

PARISH CARE - Elaine Hedrick, co-chair

Grief Recovery – Pam Clark/Deacon Rich

This is Pam. I need to let you know that I have resigned from the Parish Care Committee since I will no longer be doing the Grief Groups. Unfortunately I just don't feel worthy to serve in this capacity at this time.

Mailbox Ministry – Megarie van Sickel

January 2025

Birthday cards sent - 19

Anniversary- 3

Get well/care & concern- 5

Sympathy- 2

Comfort Meals – Barbara Rao

Parish Care Comfort Meals has not had any message of need this past month. Waiting for the Outreach group of the Vestry to initiate a new program. It will be an opportunity for us to contribute our skills and food to those in need.

Eucharistic Visits – Deacon Rich

During January, 2025: four Visitations with ten Communicants. Year To Date: four Visitations with ten Communicants.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION - Libby Chinman

Wonderful team meeting held this month to discuss and plan these next few months

Father Joe has begun his next Core Spiritual Formation study-“Wisdom Jesus” by Cynthia Bourgeault now through February, Wednesdays at 1pm.

To be followed by Bob Sawyer presentation of “Eneagram” on Wednesday’s at 1pm in March.

Deacon Michael will be hosting “The Prodigal Son” study with soup dinner and Compline on Fridays. 4 pm, closer to Lent.

Women’s Bible Study has begun Richard Fosters “Celebration of Disciplines” with our annual Women’s Retreat In March addressing this work

Flocks are in full swing with most of our Northern Lights back. We will be looking for future groups to form as able.

Look to our weekly Email Blasts to see schedule of current and upcoming events

Libby Chinman - 1/31/25

WELCOME: Ed Silva

There is nothing new to report for the month of January. Our Greeters and Ushers continue to serve in welcoming parishioners as they walk through the red doors and our ushers pleasantly greet them with bulletins in hand and assist in seating, bearing the gifts in preparation for communion and in passing the collection plates.

My goal for this year is to try to recruit more people to serve as Ushers. Something will have to go in the weekly Eblast to see if we can recruit more parishioners.

Father John passes on the registration cards to me when he receives them. No new Cards, so far, for the month of January.

Faithfully Submitted,
Ed Silva

